

GARDNER LAKE AUTHORITY

270 Hartford Road
Salem, CT 06240

Meeting Minutes of November 14, 2013 Salem Town Hall

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m. by Russ Smith, Chair.

Attendees

Bozrah: Henry Granger, Jim McArdle, Scott Soderberg
Montville: Kate Johnson
Salem: Bob Neddo, Russ Smith

Excused: Bill Wrobel
Absent: Lou Allen
Vacancy: 1-Montville

Guests in attendance: 4

Minutes

The minutes of the October 10, 2013 meeting were read by Russ. Jim McArdle made a motion to accept the October minutes as presented; seconded by Bob Neddo. The motion was unanimously accepted.

Guest: Dr. Robert Kortmann, Ecosystem Consulting Service, Inc.:

Dr. Kortmann presented his annual report which included sampling from 2012 and 2013. Regarding invasive aquatic plants, he noted that fanwort has receded several feet back from the shoreline over the past few years, with the drawdown contributing substantially. Climate variability plays an important role in changes to the ecology relating to water conditions. There is a milfoil presence also, but overall the plant community of the lake is doing well.

Phosphorus, dissolved oxygen, and turbidity are being continuously monitored from the deep hole off the northwest end of the island by the GLA client monitoring program, headed by Scott Soderberg, with results being combined with Ecosystem sampling results for a more comprehensive study of conditions and patterns.

Overall, the health of Gardner Lake is very good. An electronic version of Dr. Kortmann's full report will be forwarded to Bozrah, Montville and Salem.

Attachments

- **Treasurer's Report:** from 9/16/2013 through 10/15/2013
- **2013 GLA Annual Report**
- **2014 GLA Annual Meeting Dates**
- **2014 GLA Budget** (to follow by November 30)
- **2013 Ecosystem Annual Report** (to follow)

Correspondence & Communication

- **2012-13 DEEP drawdown breakdown of dates**
- **CFL Newsletter:** future newsletters will be sent electronically
- **DEEP Drawdown letter:** received approving 2013-14 drawdown
- **Montville requirements for filings**
- **Salem requirements for filing Annual Report**
- **2014 Ecosystem Proposal:** in the amount of \$4,500.00

- **2013 Ecosystem Annual Report:** electronic version
- **Letter to Montville Mayor Ron McDaniel:** endorsing No-Wake Zone ordinance between Minnie Island and Pequot Ledge Campground.
- **Ecosystem Invoices (2):** received in the amounts of \$345.00 and 971.08. Payment was approved by consensus.
- **Town Invoices (2):** sent to Bozrah in the amount of \$1,219.00; and Montville in the amount of \$3,658.00 for the 2013 season.
- **2013 GLA Annual Report**
- **2014 GLA Meeting Dates**
- **Invoice from Kate Johnson:** received in the amount of \$64.43 for supplies: toner, envelopes, stamps. Henry Granger made a motion to approve payment; seconded by Bob Neddo. The motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Presented by Scott. Henry Granger made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report from 9/16/13 through 10/15/13; seconded by Russ Smith. The motion passed unanimously.

Committee Business

- A) **Law Enforcement Patrol:** None. Season concluded.
- B) **Boating:** Bob reported that the Gardner Lake Fire Dept. is considering sponsoring a course in March. GLA will look into sponsoring a course in June-July after campgrounds are in operation for the season.
- C) **Water Quality Sampling:** Ecosystem's proposal for 2014 in the amount of \$4,500.00 was reviewed with an additional \$500.00 budgeted for Client Monitoring sample analyses at direct cost. Kate Johnson made a motion to approve the Gardner Lake Monitoring Program 2014 proposal with additional Client Monitoring; seconded by Bob Neddo. The motion passed unanimously.
- D) **Representative Communications:** None.

Old Business: None.

New Business

- **2013 Annual Report:** Approved as presented by consensus.
- **2014 Meeting Dates:** Approved as presented by consensus.
- **2014 Budget:** Final year end remaining expenses were reviewed. The 2014 budget was constructed and presented in the amount of \$18,750, less \$6,252 in carry-over funds resulting from a reduction in anticipated patrolling, totaling \$12,998. Jim McArdle made a motion to approve the 2014 budget as presented; seconded by Scott Soderberg. The motion passed.

Public Comment None.

Next Meeting Date

The 2013 season concluded. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, March 13, 2014 at the Bozrah Senior Center at 7:00 pm.

Adjournment

By consensus, the meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Kate Johnson,
Secretary